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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Agriculture and Cooperation Department - Recognize RBKs as extension of Village Sachivalayam and allow RBK staff Village Agricultural Assistants/ Horticulture Assistants/ Village Sericulture Assistants (VAA/VHA/VSA) to function from RBKs - Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.563

Dated:24.08.2021

Read the following:

1. G.O.Rt.No.267 Dt.11.03.2020 of Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.IV) Dept.
2. Rc.No.1259815/A/2020 Dt.21.10.2020 of the Commissioner & Director, GVWV & VSWS Department, Tadepalli, Guntur district.

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ORDER:

1. Rythu Bharosa Kendram is established to serve the farmining community by making availability of all the services from **"Vithanam Nundi Vikrayam Daaka"** at the village level. The Department of Agriculture has established 10,641 Rural RBKs and 125 Urban RBKs to render the services to the farming community across the state. All these RBKs have started functioning in accordance with the technical programmes being implemented by the Department of Agriculture along with the convergence of its allied sectors.
2. RBKs also have a digital kiosk to facilitate sale and purchase of agri. inputs, smart TV, library rakes, books, equipment for demonstration, seed and soil testing mini labs, charts on package of practices and other infrastructure for organizing trainings and orientation programmes to the farmers.
3. Further the RBK have become platform for social audit of various welfare program beneficiaries like YSR RB-PM KISAN, SVPR, Free Crop Insurance etc.
4. The Government have approved common format of work satisfaction report to be issued by the MAO/HO/SO/VAS duly according permission to communicate the same to village /ward volunteer and Village/ward secretariat department to facilitate drawl and disbursement of consolidated stipend/pay and allowances of the functional assistants every month vide reference 1st cited. The Government have also accorded permission vide 2nd cited and allowed Biometric attendance by VAA/VHA/VSA/VAHA/VFA at any time

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during office hours in the Digital kiosk which has biometric device installed at each RBK.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter here by recognize RBKs as Extension unit of Village Secretariat. The VAAs/VHAs/VSAs/VAHAs/VFAs will attend the spandana grievances at the RBKs in the interest of giving uninterrupted services to the farmers.

6. All the Functional Assistants deployed at RBKs should be exempted from assigning other departmental works to enable them to render quality services to the farmers.

7. The Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, shall take further necessary action accordingly, in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

POONAM MALAKONDAIAH, IAS
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner & Director of Agriculture, A.P. Guntur.
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